

THE ARMY AND THE NAVY.



CONGRESS AND THE SERVICE.

SENATE.—Mr. Plumb introduced a bill (3240) to reduce the pay proper of the minors enlisted in the Army.

Mr. Turpie adversely reported the bill (H. 5488) to increase the pension of Mary M. Gibson, widow of Comdr. Wilson Gibson.

Mr. Sawyer reported the bill (1546) granting an increase of pension to Mrs. Sallie M. Michler, widow of the late Brig. Gen. Nathaniel Michler, U. S. A.

Mr. Farwell introduced a bill granting a pension of \$2,000 a year to Mary, widow of the late Maj. Gen. George Crook.

Mr. Gorman introduced a joint resolution authorizing Comdr. Dennis W. Mullan to accept a medal Chili presented to him as a memento of his presence at the headquarters of the Chilean army at the battles of Chorrillos and Miraflores, in Peru.

Mr. Chandler introduced a bill (3278) to amend Section 416 of the Revised Statutes relative to the establishment of the Navy Dept.

Mr. Manderson adversely reported the bill (948) making an appropriation for the establishment of a military post in the interior of Alaska.

Mr. Allen introduced a bill (3306) for the purchase of a site for a naval station and drydock in the State of Washington.

HOUSE.—Mr. O'Neill introduced a bill (5548) concerning the rank and pay of certain naval officers who have served a full term as chief of a bureau.

Mr. Breckinridge introduced a bill (8559) for the relief of Maj. G. C. Goodloe, paymaster, Marine Corps.

Mr. Stockbridge introduced a bill (8534) for the rebuilding of the revenue steamer Thomas Ewing with an iron hull.

Mr. Breckinridge introduced a bill (8525) to regulate the pay of minors enlisted in the Army.

Mr. Cutchener favorably reported the bill (8301) to amend the Articles of War relative to punishment on conviction by courts-martial. He also reported with amendment the bill (7989) to promote the administration of justice in the Army.

Mr. Browne favorably reported the bill (S. 2483) increasing the salary of the supervising surgeon, gen. of the marine hospital service.

Mr. Snider introduced a bill (8015) for the relief of Eli Small, late ass't. surg. 152d New York Vols.

Mr. Wright introduced a bill (8680) for the erection of a monument to the memory of Brig. Gen. Samuel Meredith, at Belmont Manor, Wayne Co., Pa.

Mr. Atkinson introduced a bill (8901) granting an increase of pension to Gen. J. A. J. Lightburn.

Mr. Spindler introduced a bill (8784) to reappoint Warren C. Beach a capt. in the Army and place him on the retired list, in addition to the number now authorized.

Mr. Thomas reported with amendment the bill (3640) for the relief of the crew of the Wyoming.

ARMY NOTES.

Cadet Andrew M. Punch, 4th class, Military Academy, is granted leave on surg.'s certificate until August 30.

Maj. James W. Scully, Q. M., is ordered to the National Cemetery, Chattanooga, Tenn.

The extension of leave on surg.'s certificate granted Capt. John M. Norvell, 12th Inf., is extended 3 months.

Lieut. J. P. Seriver, 3d Art., has returned to the city after a Southern trip undertaken for the benefit of his health.

Asst. Sec. Chandler has gone to his home at Independence, Kan., for a visit of some weeks.

The remains of Gen. Francis H. Smith were interred with military honors Monday afternoon at Lexington, Va., Rev. R. G. McBride officiating. Gen. Scott Shipp superintended the corps of instructors and the cadets of the Virginia Military Institute, who attended in a body, with side arms. A special train from Richmond brought a number of old cadets to attend the funeral.

Post Chaps. S. G. Dodd, J. A. M. Latourette, and David Wilson have been placed on the retired list.

Lieut. Charles W. Clay, 17th Inf., is detailed as professor of military science and tactics at the Agricultural and Mechanical College, Lexington, Ky., on Sept. 1, relieving Lt. Dillard H. Clark, 15th Inf., who will join his co. Lt. Clay will report at the college Aug. 1.

Maj. James H. Lord is granted 1 month and 20 days' leave on surg.'s certificate.

Maj. William F. Tucker, paym., is ordered to Washington Barracks, Fort Myer, Va.; Fort McHenry, Md.; and Fort Monroe, Va., to pay the troops at those stations.

The following transfers will be made May 1: Lt. Col. William M. Graham, from the 1st Art. to the 5th Art.; Lt. Col. Richard Loder, from the 5th Art. to the 1st Art.; Lt. Col. Graham will join the 5th Art. upon its arrival in the Div. of the Pacific, and Lt. Col. Loder will join the 1st Art. when it arrives in the Div. of the Atlantic.

Maj. Peter D. Vroom, insp. gen., on the expiration of his leave, is ordered to report in person to the Insp. Gen. of the Army, this city, for temporary duty in his office.

Capt. Henry P. Birmingham, asst. surg., is relieved from station at Fort Klamath, Ore., and from temporary duty at Vancouver Barracks, Wash., and will report to the commanding officer of Boise Barracks, Idaho.

Lieut. John E. Myers, 3d Art., is granted 4 months' leave.

The resignation of Lt. Harvey D. Reed, 25th Inf., is accepted by the President, to take effect June 30.

The following changes of stations of post chaplains are ordered: Chap. George W. Stinson, from Fort Brown, Tex., to Alcatraz Island, Cal.; Chap. George W. Dumbor, from the Presidio of San Francisco to Fort Bridger, Wyo.; Chap. George Robinson, from San Antonio, Tex., to Fort Davis, Tex.; Chap. John B. McCleery, from the Military Prison, Fort Leavenworth, Kan., to Fort Assiniboine, Mont.; Chap. Orville J. Nave, from Fort Omaha, Neb., to Fort Niobrara, Neb.; Chap. Sherman M. Merrill, from Fort Clark, Tex., to Fort Reno, Ind. Terr.; Chap. John D. Parker, from Fort Riley, Kan., to Fort Robinson, Neb.; Chap. Thomas W. Barry, from Fort Sidney, Neb., to Fort Sully, S. D.; Chap. William H. Scott, from Benicia Barracks, Cal., to Fort Du Chesse, Utah Terr.; Chap. Joseph A. Potter, from San Diego Barracks, Cal., to Fort Clark, Tex.; Chap. Brant C. Hammond, from Fort Douglas, Utah,

to Fort Apache, Ariz.; Chap. William H. Pearson, from Alcatraz Island, Cal., to Fort Shaw, Mont.; Chap. John F. Dolphin, from Fort Snelling, Minn., to Fort Yates, N. D. The chaplains thus transferred will join their new stations by June 1, excepting those who may be absent on leave; those so absent will join at the expiration of their leaves of absence, respectively.

Lieut. Henry T. Allen, 2d Cav., now on duty at West Point, is ordered to duty as an attaché of the U. S. Legation at St. Petersburg.

Lieut. Luigi Lornia, 5th Art., is ordered abroad on special mil. service, particularly in Italy.

Lieut. S. C. Mills, 12th Inf., now abroad on leave, is given 6 months' foreign duty, commencing at Denmark.

The extension of leave granted Lt. William E. P. French, 3d Inf., is further extended 15 days.

Post Chap. Brant C. Hammond is granted 4 months' leave.

The retirement of Col. George A. Forsyth, 4th Cav., will cause the following promotions: Maj. Anson Mills, 10th Cav., to be lt. col. 4th Cav.; Capt. Stevens T. Norvell, 10th Cav., to be maj. same regt.; 1st Lt. Levi P. Hunt, 10th Cav., to be capt., and 2d Lt. William H. Smith, 10th Cav., to be 1st lt.

Capt. Ira McNutt, Ord. Dept., is ordered to this city to report to chief of ord.

Paym. Gen. Smith arrived Wednesday night from St. Paul to assume his new duties.

Capt. Thomas J. Gregg, 3d Cav., is placed on the retired list.

Maj. Gen. John M. Schofield is assigned temporarily to the cmd. of Div. Mo.

Second Lieut. George D. DeShon, 23d Inf., resigned March 21.

The extension of leave granted Capt. Henry P. Perrine, 6th Cav., is further extended to April 1 on surg.'s certificate.

The extension of leave granted Capt. John A. Darling, 1st Art., is further extended 2 months on surg.'s certificate.

Lieut. Col. George A. Forsyth, 4th Cav., is placed on the retired list.

The following have been appointed cadets at West Point: W. H. Paine, 3d Dist. Conn.; William W. Connell, 11th Dist. N. Y.; O. L. Powell, 5th Dist. Ohio, and Hamilton S. Hawkins, New Castle, Del.

The Steele court-martial closed Tuesday, and the findings of the court were forwarded to Maj. Gen. Schofield. What they are will not be officially made known for some time, but the impression is that suspension for six months on half pay and confinement within the limits of his post will be Steele's punishment.

Lieut. Frank E. Hobbs, Ord. Dept., is ordered from South Bethlehem, Pa., to the works of the Standard Steel Casting Co., Thurlow, Pa., on business connected with the inspection of material to be furnished the Ord. Dept.

Lieut. Fred. S. Calhoun, 14th Inf., is granted leave of absence on account of disability until further orders.

Post Chap. Henry Swift is relieved from duty at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., and assigned to duty at the military prison at that place.

The leave of Lt. Alex. D. Schenck, 3d Art., is extended 6 months.

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Col. Horace Brooks (retired) died Wednesday last at his home in Detroit.

The remains of the late Gen. George Crook were conveyed from Chicago to Oakland, Md., where on Monday the final services and interment took place. Rev. J. E. Moffatt officiated at the final religious rites. Over 1,000 persons were in attendance, among them many distinguished soldiers and civilians. Mrs. Crook was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Reed; Col. H. C. Corbin, asst. adjt. gen.; Col. E. M. Heyl, insp. gen.; Col. Thaddeus Stanton, paym.; Lt. C. B. Scofield, aid to Gen. Scofield; Gen. Samuel Breck, Capt. George S. Anderson, Capt. John G. Bourke, for many years aid to Gen. Crook; Webb Hayes, son of the ex-President; Gen. Nathan Griffin of West Virginia, and Representative William McKinley, Jr. Ex-President Hayes accompanied the funeral train from Chicago to Fostoria, Ohio.

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Francisco, in connection with the fitting out of the San Francisco for sea service.

Chief Eng. Philip Inch is detached from duty at the Vulcan Iron Works, Chicago, and ordered to the Charleston as fleet eng. of the Pacific Station.

A four-page pamphlet, entitled "Some Important Achievements of the Navy in Time of Peace," written by Rear Adm. J. J. Almy, has been issued by the Navy Dept.

A letter from Sec. Tracy has been received by the Newark (N. J.) Board of Trade thanking them for the gift of a bell to the Newark.

A letter has been received in the city from the Alliance, now on her way to China, bearing date of Bermuda, March 16. Unusually severe easterly gales had been encountered after leaving Norfolk, and the supply of coal had run short, compelling the vessel to put in at Bermuda to take on more. The reported collision between the Alliance and a schooner off the cape evidently was without foundation, as no mention of such an occurrence was made. She is again on her Eastern course.

The Fish Commission steamer Albattross, Lt. Comdr. Z. L. Tanner, engaged in exploring the Pacific Coast, has arrived at San Francisco.

Lieut. V. L. Cushman is detached from the St. Mary's school-ship, and ordered to continue on special duty in connection with the Marine Conference.

Chief Eng. William S. Smith is detached from the Charleston, and placed on waiting orders.

The orders of Lieut. Comdr. William H. Webb to the League and Navy Yard are revoked, and he is granted 4 months' leave.

Information has been received at the Navy Dept. that the recent trial of the gunboat Petrel was satisfactory.

The Iroquois arrived at San Francisco Wednesday from Port Townsend. Before sailing from that port, 6 months ago, she was for some time at Mare Island, where she underwent \$100,000 worth of repairs. Oct. 18 she arrived at Honolulu, taking 25 days to make the voyage, which was completed by the Australia in 7. She was ordered to Samoa Nov. 16, and was to stop at Marshall Islands on the way. Dec. 23 the piston-rod of the engine broke, and the Iroquois was made dependent upon her sails. She was headed about for Honolulu, 2,500 miles away, but was driven further to the north, until this project had to be abandoned, and San Francisco was made for instead. By the last of Jan. the prospect of a long and perilous trip was apparent to officers and crew, and economizing in fuel and food became necessary. Feb. 15 the crew put on short rations. The Iroquois arrived at the entrance of the Straits of Fuca March 1, and was towed to Port Townsend, where she was provisioned and coaled.

Pay Director Thomas H. Smith is detached from duty as gen. insp. of the Pay Corps and ordered to assume the duties of chief of the Bureau of Clothing and Provision. His commission dates from the 27th inst.

Lieut. H. S. Freeman is detached from the Navy Yard, New York, and granted 6 months' leave.

Asst. Eng. C. H. Hayes is detached from the Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va., and ordered to the Navy Yard, Portsmouth, N. H.

Sec. Tracy left for New York Friday afternoon.

The Baltimore will leave the Norfolk Navy Yard for the city of Baltimore about May 15.

The Petrel, which put out to sea on Wednesday last for a trial trip, and was forced to return to Norfolk for repairs to her machinery, will shortly proceed on her trip.

Comdr. Joseph B. Coghlan, who was recently court-martialed on charges of conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman in having written a newspaper article, criticising and ridiculing the administration of naval affairs, in the absence of proof from civilians, who have refused to testify against him, will be acquitted. Comdr. Coghlan has written to Sec. Tracy requesting that he be restored to the command of the Mohican, which request is not likely to be granted.

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G. A. R. ITEMS.

The G. A. R. transportation committee of the Dist. have secured quarters for the local depts. during the annual encampment to be held in Boston in May next. The headquarters will be established at the Hotel Vendome. It is thought the Union Veteran Corps, (Co. A, 3d Batt.,) Capt. Fred Thompson, will attend.

To-morrow night Comdr.-in-Chief Urell and staff will leave the G. A. R. Hall at 8 o'clock, escorted by the Old Guard, to attend the Lincoln Post No. 3 fair in the Light Inf. Armory.

Wednesday night Logan Post of the G. A. R. tendered a reception to the Woman's Logan Relief Corps, of Anacostia, at Gray's Hall. It was a very enjoyable affair. Mr. Hendricks, of Burdick Corps from Washington, rendered valuable assistance. The refreshments for the inner man were "hard tack," coffee, served in tin cups, and molasses candy. The Anacostia Glee Club were in splendid voice, and added very greatly to the success of the occasion. There was a large attendance of visitors, as well as a goodly turn-out of Reliefs and the gentlemen of the corps, who gallantly entertained their countrymen in behalf of the old soldiers and their families. Among those present were Mrs. Peck, the president of the Relief Corps; Mrs. King, Mr. and Mrs. Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. Piles, Mr. and Mrs. Doney, Prof. and Miss Nettie Messer, Mrs. Babbitt, Mrs. Elliott, Dr. and Mrs. Grant, and many others.

Local G. A. R. men are discussing the advisability of extending an invitation to the National Encampment of the Grand Army to hold its session of 1891 in Washington. The Encampment meets in Boston this year, and if the Grand Army men here are assured of the cooperation of the citizens in raising the funds necessary, they will exert themselves to induce the Encampment to select this city as the place for holding their sessions in 1891. The matter is under consideration by a committee of G. A. R. men.

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